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On June 18th, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. C. H. WILSON, a son, JAMES HEATHCOTE WILSON.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JUNE 25TH, 1910.

RECENT proceedings in the Supreme Court of Hongkong in which the Official Receiver in Bankruptcy expressed dissatisfaction with the conduct of trustees appointed to administer a certain estate serve to call attention to the new department which has been established at Home and which after the first year's operation has been proved a distinct success. The new department, created by the Public Trustee Act of 1906, which came into operation on January 1st, 1908, was designed with the express object of enabling the public to guard against the risks and inconveniences incidental to the employment of private individuals in trust matters. The public may now, instead of selecting a private individual, secure the services of the Trustee, in whom the public have an executor or trustee, "who will never die, never leave the country, and never become incapacitated, and whose responsibility is guaranteed by the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom." The scheme is so simple that it will be understood by the most unenlightened, and its practicability is so obvious that it seems impossible to believe that it has taken some twenty years of parliamentary agitation to

secure it becoming law. Yet the tardy methods of British legislation and the slow mental processes involved by change of thought have hindered its realisation, and until the year before last Britain was without a department which had commended itself to the wisdom of some of her Colonies.

The Public Trustee is like a private trustee. He has the same powers, duties and liabilities, and is subject to the control and orders of the Court, but the great advantage accruing from the employment of this official is that he or his department is versed in the duties to be performed, he brings an experience which few private trustees can ever hope to attain in the conduct of the affairs entrusted to him, and, most important of all, he offers a security, the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom, which is of course unquestioned. He is invested by statute with power to act as executor and trustee under a will, as an administrator of an estate on intestacy, as trustee in marriage and other settlements, and may be appointed in the simplest form possible, e.g., "I appoint the Public Trustee as the executor and trustee of this my will." Of course all this is not done for nothing, but the fees and percentages are so ridiculously low that the ordinary individual would prefer to pay these and have his interests properly safeguarded and his wishes capably carried out rather than place them in the well-meaning but inexperienced hands of friends. This department is not allowed to work for a profit, so it will be understood that the scale of charges is very modest.

Although the department has only been working for little more than a year the first annual report shows that the great benefits it was intended to bestow are being appreciated by all classes. The rich seem to like it because of the State guarantee which it provides, and the poor are attracted by the security and by the skilled supervision which it affords. As an illustration of the manner in which it is likely to appeal to the less wealthy it need only be mentioned that facilities are provided for the administration and distribution of small estates at as low a cost as possible to those who are beneficially entitled to the proceeds. "Any person or persons interested in an estate, the gross capital value whereof can be proved to the satisfaction of the Public Trustee to be under £1,000, may apply in writing to the Public Trustee to administer the estate, and the beneficiaries are persons of small means, the Public Trustee will undertake the administration." In the general conduct of the office it is distinguished by personal attention, and as the human and personal side of administration is fostered, the institution is not likely to be repellant to the ordinary individual who usually finds himself or herself at a loss in the multitudinous forms to be observed when provision is being made for the administration of estates. Formal and dilatory methods are avoided, the department being organised on the lines of commercial undertakings, and no better understanding of its methods could be given than the example of a trust proposed to be transferred to the Public Trustee.

The general outlines of the trust are brought to the notice of the Public Trustee either by letter or interview. If the trust is accepted, a draft of the deed intended to effect his appointment as trustee is submitted for consideration. As a rule, the whole of the trust estate intended to be transferred to the Public Trustee is set out in a schedule to the draft. The engrossment of the draft follows, which in due course is executed by the Public Trustee. Contemporaneously a transfer of the trust estate is effected by the methods appropriate to the property intended to be transferred. Arrangements are then made for carrying out the separate holdings of the stocks (if any) comprised in the trust, and for the payment of the income, where possible, direct to the person entitled. To distinguish this procedure from that ordinarily followed in the case of the transfer of trusts to a private trustee would, it is conceived, be somewhat difficult. The value of the scheme is appreciated in England. Is there any reason why it should not be adopted in Hongkong?

The strike of ricksha coolies continues.

Sir Robert Laidlaw is expected to visit the Straits again towards the end of this year.

Mr. E. R. Halifax, at the Magistracy yesterday, sentenced a cook who stole a watch to two months' imprisonment.

At the Magistracy yesterday Mr. E. R. Halifax fined the coxswains of two steam launches \$50 each for carrying excess passengers outside the local trade limits.

Two natives who appeared before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy yesterday on a charge of stealing a blanket were each sentenced to fourteen days' imprisonment and four hours' stocks.

The two men arrested on a charge of attempted armed robbery at No. 5, Furrow Street, last week, were committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions. The case [was] heard by Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy.

According to a Bristol newspaper a service of rickshaws has been begun on the Clifton Downs. The vehicles had to be licensed in the ordinary way and the nearest approach that the justices could get to the real thing was to grant them licences as bath chairs.

The Chinese Y.M.C.A. chess tournament begins at the Association rooms to-night, when some interesting games should take place. There is a fairly large entry, and the winner of the tournament becomes the possessor of a silver medal, which has been presented.

Since the currency reform scheme was sanctioned by his Majesty the 5000 markers in the province of Chihbi have been almost panic stricken. A special meeting was lately called by the chairman of the Byee Makers' Guild in Tientsin to discuss means of maintaining their business, but so far no agreement has been reached.

The principal witness in the recent Takoo murder trial was placed before Mr. E. R. Halifax at the Magistracy yesterday on a charge of perjury. The case was remanded until the 29th instant, and bail was allowed in the sum of \$1,000. Mr. Davidson is appearing for the prosecution, and Mr. W. E. L. Shenton for the defence.

An international shoot took place at Shanghai last Sunday in which teams of three men engaged. The scores were: English team, 231; American Navy, 228; Swiss, 222; Irish, 220; Portuguese, 217; American, 214; Chinese, 211; Scottish, 210; Australian, 209; German, 207; Japanese, 206; Sikhs, 204; Norwegian, 197; Dutch, 178.

The American Consul at Harbin reports that concessions may be granted shortly for various public services at Mukden. "I believe," he writes, "that the waterworks, electric light, and street railway propositions can be made very profitable here, as the commercial future of the city seems assured. Various proposals have already been made for the construction of public works here, and a number of foreign firms are interested, but so far as I know none have accomplished anything as yet."

It may be remembered that some time ago a suggestion was made that a system of patrolling the outlying districts of Shanghai by means of cycles should be brought into force. Since then a large number of cycles have been imported by the French Police, and they are evidently going to put it into effect. For some time past the police have adopted this system of patrolling at night, but now it is to be extended.

It is rather curious to observe that, contemporary with the attack upon the Peers in Great Britain, the House of Peers in Japan is coming in for some rather severe criticism. For example, the *Hochi* asserts that the Peers are becoming degenerate. They are alleged to frequently resort to questionable means in order to compass their ends, whereas being the bulwark of the Imperial House they should be a model for all other classes of people. Nowadays the Peers have degenerated to such an extent, according to the *Hochi*, that they are often despised by the people instead of being respected, and the Tokyo journal suggests that some sort of classification among the Peers, as with other ranks of Society, is necessary.

Some time ago, says a Seoul dispatch to the *Jiji*, the Chinese authorities in Manchuria encouraged the immigration of Koreans for the work undertaken by the Chinese Government on the banks of the Yalu. Special favours were accorded to the Koreans, and over 80,000 of them have settled in Manchuria. Lately the Chinese authorities have changed their attitude and begun to treat the Korean colonists very badly, adopting stringent regulations against them. The colonists have accordingly appealed to the Residency-General in Seoul for assistance. The authorities of the Residency-General have decided to investigate the matter and lodge a protest with the Chinese authorities if necessary. It is expected that the matter will develop into a diplomatic question between Japan and China. This appeal of Korean emigrants to the Residency-General appears curious. Unfortunately the Chinese side of these incidents seldom becomes known.

NEW AMERICAN CONSUL-GENERAL.

Mr. Stuart J. Fuller, Deputy American Consul-General at Hongkong, has received a communication from the Department of State at Washington informing him that Mr. G. E. Anderson will arrive here on August 1st to take over the duties of Consul-General at this port.

Mr. Anderson, who left Rio de Janeiro on June 3rd for Hongkong, has had previous official experience in the East. In 1901 he was appointed American Consul at Hangchow, and four years later he became Consul-General at Amoy.

The new Consul-General hails from Springfield. He was educated at Shurtleff College, Illinois, and afterwards took a law course at the Wesleyan University. Mr. Anderson started his career as a journalist, and after filling the position of managing editor of the *Peoria Journal* for some time he succeeded to the *Springfield News* as editor and general manager.

TELEGRAMS.

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INTERPORT POLO.

SHANGHAI, June 24th.

The match between Shanghai and Tsingtao resulted in a win for the home team. Scores:

Shanghai, 12 goals.
Tsingtao, nil.

[BUTTER'S SERVICE TO THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

LORD KITCHENER'S FUTURE.

LONDON, June 23rd.

The "Daily Mail" states that proposals are under consideration to appoint Lord Kitchener Chief of the Imperial General Staff in the event of General Sir Neville Lytton retiring from the command of the Forces in Ireland and being succeeded by General Sir William Gustavus Nicholson, Chief of General Staff. This is regarded as not unlikely.

THE PRINCE OF WALES.

LONDON, June 23rd.

The Duke of Cornwall was gazetted Prince of Wales and Earl of Chester on the occasion of the anniversary of his birthday to-day.

THE CONSTITUTIONAL CRISIS.

LONDON, June 23rd.

The third Constitutional Conference between the leading members of both parties took place yesterday evening and lasted for two hours.

THE BUDGET.

LONDON, June 23rd.

The Budget will be taken by the House of Commons on June 30th.

ROYAL BIRTHDAY HONOURS.

LONDON, June 24th.

Peerages have been conferred on the Rt. Hon. Richard Causton (formerly Paymaster General), Sir Walter Foster, the Rt. Hon. Sir Hudson Kearsley (formerly Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade), Sir Westman Pearson (head of the large publishing firm), Sir William Holland (Manchester cotton spinner), Sir Christopher Farness (shipowner and shipbuilder), and Mr. Freeman Thomas (M.P. for Bodmin division of Cornwall).

The new baronets include Dr. Francis Champneys (well known physician), Mr. Harold Harmsworth, Mr. Adolf Tuck, Mr. Norman Lamont (formerly M.P. for Buteshire), Mr. John Fuller (Junior Lord of the Treasury), Mr. A. M. Mond (M.P. and director of many industrial concerns), Mr. T. L. Warner (M.P. and director of several large companies), and Mr. Joseph Walton (M.P. and Middlesbrough manufacturer).

Knighthoods have been bestowed on Mr. Quiller Couch (the well known author), Mr. Alfred East (landscape painter and etcher), Mr. Clarendon Hyde (formerly M.P. for Wednesbury and now a partner with Sir Westman Pearson), Colonel Ingles (chairman of the Stock Exchange), Dr. Lunn (in recognition of his promotion of international gatherings), and Mr. Macalpine (President of the Baptists Union).

Mr. R. N. Bland, Resident Councillor at Penang, and Mr. J. W. Jamieson, Consul General at Canton, have received the C.M.G.

General Sir Ian Hamilton and Sir Charles Hardinge (the Viceroy-elect of India) are made Knights of the Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath, and Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Scott, Vice-Admiral Egerton, Vice-Admiral

Sir George Callaghan, Vice-Admiral Sir Henry Jackson, and Engineer Vice-Admiral Oram are made Knights Commanders of the Order of the Bath, while Sir Arthur Hardinge, Minister to Belgium, is made a Knight of the Grand Cross of St. Michael and St. George.

PROBABLE RELIEF OF MAJOR-GENERAL BROADWOOD.

A well-informed correspondent writes that he has just heard that General Broadwood is to be relieved in September next by Major-General C. A. Anderson, C.B., Royal Artillery, who was specially promoted in July, 1908, for distinguished services in command of 1st Brigade, in the Zaike Khil country and the operations in the Mohmand country. General Anderson, who is only 53, joined the service in 1876 and all his service has apparently been in India. His war services are:—Jowaki Expedition 1877-8, medal with clasp; Afghan War 1878-9-80, despatches London Gazette, medal with two clasps; Burmese Expedition 1885-6, clasp; operations on N.W. Frontier of India 1897-8, Malakand Field Force, despatches London Gazette, operations in S. Bajain and Mamund country, despatches London Gazette; with Buner Field Force, despatches London Gazette, Brevet of Lt.-Col., medal with clasp; N.W. Frontier of India, 1908, in command of 1st Brigade, despatches London Gazette. General Anderson is a good and experienced soldier and as he is a gunner the H.K.V.C. may expect him to turn them inside out.

WHIST DRIVE.

The second of the series of the Eastern Scot's Masonic Whist Drives was held in their Lodge Room at Kowloon on Thursday evening and met with even more success than the last one. A larger number sat down, and it was pleasing to note the increased number of ladies playing. Undoubtedly the Lodge Committee have taken a step in the right direction; for these whist drives not only afford an interesting evening's amusement, but they tend to bring people together who probably would not otherwise have become acquainted.

The prize-winners were: Ladies, 1st prize, Mrs. Hill; 2nd prize, Mrs. Jackson. Gentlemen, 1st prize, Mr. Hibbin; 2nd prize, Mr. A. Gilbert. Gentlemen taking lady's part, 1st prize, Mr. McLeod; 2nd prize, Mr. Howell. Hidden Number, Mr. Jack; booby prizes, Mrs. Morley and Mr. Willcock.

The prizes were presented by Mr. A. Lawrence. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Budden, who, assisted by Messrs. A. B. Allan and Hibbin, arranged everything in a splendid manner.

A special launch took the Hongkong contingent to the pier after the drive.

LOCAL SPORT.

TENNIS.

H.K.C.C. v. W.C.C.

In the annual tennis match between the Hongkong and Kowloon Cricket Clubs, which is to take place this afternoon on the Kowloon Cricket Club Ground, at 4.30 p.m., the following will represent the Hongkong Cricket Club:—Messrs. C. A. Carr, C. Wilson, H. Hancock, H. R. Harris, B. F. C. Master, R. E. H. Oliver, T. H. King and A. R. Sutherland.

INTERPORT POLO.

Shanghai papers to hand comment on the prospects of the polo teams. The ground was only just playable last Monday, when practice in which three Hongkong players participated, took place. The Shanghai team was selected as follows:

Mr. D. Landale 4
Mr. Dallas 3
Mr. K. J. McEwen 2
Mr. J. A. Hayes 1

On Wednesday Shanghai was to play Hongkong and on Thursday Tsingtao, and on Friday Hongkong was to play Tsingtao. That programme has not been adhered to, as our telegrams state that Hongkong defeated Shanghai on Wednesday and Tsingtao on Thursday.

The Hongkong team consists of—
Captain the Hon. P. G. Scarlett
Captain J. K. C. Heathcote
Captain J. Crookenden
Captain Davis.

The Tsingtao team consists of—
Mr. Mainie
Mr. Fleiter
Mr. Edmond
A. N. Other.

INDO-CHINA S. N. CO.

We are informed by Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., the General Managers, that they have received a telegram from London to the effect that the annual general meeting of shareholders in the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., will take place on the 30th instant; that £10,000 has been transferred from the Underwriting Account, which will then stand at £138,100 and that £25,364 has been written off for depreciation; £4,000 has also been written off on account of debenture issue. It is proposed to carry forward the balance of £7537, then remaining at credit of Profit and Loss Account for the year 1909.

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SUPREME COURT.

Friday, June 24th.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. F. A. HAZELAND (ACTING-PUISNE JUDGE).

CLAIM FOR WAGES AND COMMISSION.

A. Ogilvie, formerly a piano tuner in the Robinson Piano Company, instituted proceedings against that Company to recover \$445, balance said to be due for wages and commission. Mr. M. Reader Harris (of Messrs. Wilkinson & Grist) appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Hinds (of Messrs. Brutton & Hott) represented the defendants.

Mr. Hinds applied for particulars of the last two items on the statement of claim, the commission and extra work.

Mr. Harris—I shall be pleased to give my friend any particulars. Will your Lordship fix a day?

His Lordship—How long will it take?
Mr. Harris—A full day.
His Lordship fixed July 25th for the hearing.

THE COST OF A FEAST.
Ho Man Sang brought action against the Kwong Tung Hotel Company, Limited, to recover \$23.88, and there was a counter-claim which exceeded the claim.

Mr. Christopher Wilson (of Messrs. Hastings & Hastings) appeared for the plaintiff, and defendants were represented by Mr. D. V. Stevenson (of Messrs. Deacon, Looker, & Deacon).

Mr. Wilson applied for particulars of the counter-claim. He said it was quite obvious that the plaintiff could not eat all that was charged to him.

Mr. Stevenson—He stood treat at the hotel. His Lordship—In your restaurant?

Mr. Stevenson—Yes.
His Lordship (to Mr. Wilson)—How would it assist you whether ten people ate the food, or one?

Mr. Wilson—If ten people ate it, my client does not intend to pay.
His Lordship—Why?

Mr. Wilson—Because other persons should have been furnished with a bill as well. Plaintiff did not order the lot.
Mr. Stevenson—It was his feast.
His Lordship—I will put the case into next Friday's list.

FULLER PARTICULARS WANTED.

In the action brought by J. H. Soth against To Ki to recover \$280.64, Mr. Wilson, who appeared for the defendant, said he had tried to come to some arrangement with regard to particulars, but he was afraid he was unable to dispose with them, as there was not sufficient information with regard to the commencement of the period for which the amount was due. It might be that some of the items were statute barred, for he understood they covered a period of about twenty years.

Mr. Johnson (of Messrs. Denny & Bowley) who represented the plaintiff, said it was a matter of course that the plaintiff would want particulars, but he was not sure whether any of the items were statute barred.

His Lordship—Defendant is entitled to particulars, anyhow.

Mr. Johnson—From the time they commenced until the time they finished?
His Lordship—Yes.

Mr. Johnson—I understand your Lordship does not mean me to give particulars of every item. That is impossible. But I will give the items from the start down to the end of last year.

Mr. Wilson—I'm afraid that won't help me very much.

His Lordship—That is all you can expect. I will fix the hearing for Thursday.

JOHN GBANT AGAIN INDICTED.

John Grant, ex-surveyor in the Public Works Department, who was acquitted at the last Criminal Sessions on a charge of obtaining a diamond ring by false pretences, again appeared before Mr. E. R. Halifax at the Magistracy yesterday on a charge of obtaining \$10 from Wong Ming Po by means of an invalid cheque.

Detective Sergeant Appleton prosecuted, and Mr. J. H. Gardiner appeared for the defendant.

Complainant informed the Court that at 5 p.m. on the 9th April the defendant went to his shop and asked for \$10, for which he would give a cheque. The money was advanced and Grant handed over a cheque, and told the complainant to get the money from the bank. Witness sent the cheque to the Dairy Farm, and when the Dairy Farm sent it to the bank it was returned. Next day the defendant received a letter (produced) from the bank, in which the latter stated that since visiting complainant's shop he had lost his cheque book.

He also asked witness not to present the cheque, as he had sent a notice to the bank asking that payment of cheques drawn from the lost book should be stopped. Defendant concluded by stating that he would call on the complainant and give him another cheque when he got a new book.

Sergeant Appleton said he intended to put in further evidence to show that the defendant had issued similar cheques.

Mr. Gardiner reserved his cross-examination, and the hearing was adjourned until July 4th.

It is interesting at the present moment to note that the portrait of King George (as Duke of York) already figures on a stamp. This stamp was issued in 1899 by Newfoundland, an old colony, and was of five-cent value. Four other Royal portrait stamps were issued shortly before it by Newfoundland of different values, as follows: Prince Edward of York (now Heinrich), half-cent; Queen Victoria, one-cent; King Edward, two-cent; Queen Alexandra, three-cent. The cost of this series was one shilling. It is very appropriate that the late Duke of York, who was at that date president of the London Philatelic Society, and himself a very keen stamp-collector, should thus be represented.

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Dated 24th day of June, 1910. [778]

MAGISTRACY.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that a MEETING of the LICENSING BOARD will be held in the Colonial Secretary's Office at 2.15 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 6th July, 1910, for the purpose of considering the following applications under the Liquor Licences Ordinance, 1898-1909, viz:

From one WILLIAM GALLAGHER for a Publican's License to sell by retail intoxicating liquors on premises, No. 2, Pak Shui Wan, Sha Kwei Wan, under the sign of "THE BELLE VUE HOTEL."

From one RAMSES DAVY for the transfer to him from one O. E. OWEN of the Publican's License to sell by retail intoxicating liquors on premises, No. 43, Haiphong Road, Kowloon, under the sign of "THE KOWLOON HOTEL."

G. A. WOODCOCK, Secretary to the Licensing Board. Hongkong, 24th June, 1910. [779]

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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers. [775]

Hongkong, 24th June, 1910.

INTIMATIONS

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held in the Gymnasium of the Club, on TUESDAY, the 28th inst., at 5.45 p.m., for the purpose of considering and passing the Annual Reports and Statement of Accounts for 1909.

R. L. BRIDGER, Acting Hon. Secretary. [766]

Hongkong, 21st June, 1910.

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the General Managers at Noon on MONDAY, 4th July, for the purpose of considering the proposed extension of plant and premises.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers. [774]

Hongkong, 23rd June, 1910.

NOTICE

THE Undersigned will not be Responsible for any Debt Contracted by his wife, JESUNA MARIA.

J. M. XAVIER, No. 18, Bellies Terrace. Hongkong, 24th June, 1910. [773]

STATE OF NORTH BORNEO.

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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents. [908]

Hongkong, 15th January, 1909.

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DIE amtlichen Bekanntmachungen des Kaiserlich Deutschen Konsulats in Canton werden während des Jahres 1910 im OSTERASIATISCHEN LLOYD der CANTON WEEKLY NEWS und nach Bedarf auch in der HONGKONG DAILY PRESS veröffentlicht werden.

KAISERLICH DEUTSCHES KONSULAT.

Canton, den 15. Dezember, 1909. [1544]

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"Those who conquer Malaria conquer the tropics," a proverb with which every resident in the tropics is familiar. While in consequence of the onward march of scientific achievement, this disease, so depressing in its onset, so debilitating in its effect, and so disorganising in its result to the whole system is better understood than it used to be, it is still, unhappily, exceedingly prevalent, and is likely to continue until the conditions which produce it have been banished.

Most people know that while Malaria may take various forms it is due to a special germ or microbe, which destroys the red corpuscles by which the oxygen of the air is carried by the blood to every part of the body to burn up its impurities. This destruction of these corpuscles produces the marked symptoms so characteristic of the disease—the pale, sallow, earthy complexion, the mental and physical lassitude, the depression, the morbid thoughts and feelings, the aching muscles and the tender joints.

Bad as is all this, the result of Anemia or poverty of the blood, as it is commonly called, which makes life a burden to the sufferer, it may go considerably farther until it produces that wasted and dangerous condition of the system doctors call "Cachexia."

For long Quinine has been the sheet anchor of the physician, and in the acute stages it generally answers admirably, but in the later stages something else must be employed to destroy the effects wrought by the microbes.

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Children are especially liable to Malaria, its pernicious after effects which may delay their development and stunt their growth. When given Sanatogen they rapidly improve. One child who at three years old, in consequence of Malaria, weighed only half-a-pound more than it did when it was a year and a half, was given a small quantity of Sanatogen daily, and its weight at once began to go up half-a-pound a week.

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An exceedingly interesting pamphlet on the subject of Malaria has been written by a physician who had a wide experience of it in the tropics. In order to give this momentous publication, "Malaria, its Causes and Effects," the widest publicity, the proprietors of the copyright have instructed Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Hongkong, to distribute a limited number of copies free of charge, to anyone who may feel interested in it, and will send a post card mentioning the HONGKONG DAILY PRESS.

Sanatogen, by the way, may be obtained direct from Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Hongkong, and at all chemists.

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SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

COASTS BENT BY TIDES.

The tides, rainfall, annual snows and varying air pressure are constantly shifting enormous weights, and the earth's crust is bent and deformed under the strain to a degree that is just beginning to be appreciated. Some years ago Prof. John Milne, the veteran seismologist, showed that valleys are made wider by day than at night through the expansive action of the sun's heat. By seismographic records of the Shide observatory, he also proved that the Isle of Wight is alternately moved forward and backward by the tides, and that it is tilted up from the English Channel side at high water by the greater pressure on that side. His latest observations have been made with an extra sensitive seismograph placed underground at Bidston Observatory near Liverpool, about two miles from the water. The records obtained with a photographic recorder prove that the sides of the basin are drawn closer together at every high tide by the sagging of the bed of the Irish Sea, and the action can actually be watched in the movement of the seismograph pendulum. A deflection of about one inch in 16 miles is produced by the weight of the tide off the mouth of the Mersey.

NATIONAL BELLS OUT OF TUNE.

There is discord in the bells of the British House of Parliament, and it is protested that this is not in keeping with the progress of science. In a late Royal Institution discussion it was stated that, taking the nominal tones only, Big Ben and the third quarter bell are perfect octaves, as they should be. The first quarter bell is 20 vibrations sharp; the second-quarter bell, 8 vibrations sharp; and the fourth-quarter bell is slightly flat, not more than 5 vibrations. The humming and the striking-notes in all the bells are never less than a semitone—sometimes a whole tone—sharp or flat. In the last ten years England has made great improvement in the tuning of bells, and it is urged that the national bells—which could be tuned for \$6,000—should be the very best.

THE MODERN FIGHTING-BLOW.

The projectile of the 12-inch gun penetrates 22-inches of armor plate, and has pierced a 20-foot concrete wall heavily reinforced with steel beams.

DIAGNOSIS OF DISEASE BY TELEPHONE.

The feeble sounds made by our body engine at work have much significance, and new importance has been given to them by the telephone-stethoscope, which the other day enabled a number of physicians in the Isle of Wight to listen to the heart-beats of a lady in London. In ordinary practice, tapping over the region and other near at hand observations are depended upon in addition to the indication of the stethoscope. The intensified sounds are made very distinctly audible in the telephone, however so that any irregularities are easily detected, and medical men have expressed the belief that with proper training of the ear it will become practicable to diagnose heart disease at a distance. There is very little interference from extraneous noises. Other sounds can be transmitted, and it is probable that examinations of the lungs can be made as well as those of the heart. The new instrument gives the busy physician a means of watching a serious pneumonia or typhoid case without leaving his home, while country patients may be enabled to consult the heart specialist without the expense of a trip to the city.

CAST-IRON CUTTING TOOLS.

The chilled iron produced by the process of E. A. Custer is reported to be a greyish iron and not the usual white chilled iron. It is made from common foundry iron—fairly high in silicon and low in sulphur and phosphorus—which is run direct from the foundry cupola into a chilled mould. In a few moments, as soon as solidified, it is quenched in water or other suitable bath. It is claimed that the casting makes a cutting tool of excellent quality. It is suggested that the chilling produces a fine and uniform structure, and that the quenching fixes it.

A NOVEL GAS-DETECTOR.

By means of a box divided by a partition of porous porcelain, Dr. A. Di Legge, an Italian physicist, indicates the presence of light or heavy gases in the air of mines, chemical works or submarines. When the air or gases in the two chambers have different densities the gas diffusion from one compartment to the other is irregular, and the irregularity operates a small mercury index, which closes an electric contact and rings a bell. With two bells of different tone, the apparatus will indicate the side on which the disturbing cause is acting.

THE COMPASS AS HELMSMAN.

By the automatic electric mechanism of a Scotch mariner, Bailie J. C. Bogle, of Falkirk, the compass is placed in control of the steering gear, and keeps a vessel on a predetermined course without aid from the helmsman. A finely-adjusted insulated lever, called the contractor, has one end connected to the compass card, and is so constructed that the opposite end may make contact with either of two terminals or electric motor, that moves the steering apparatus. As the ship swerves from its direction the contractor makes contact that completes an electric circuit giving port or starboard helm as may be required. The ordinary steering mechanism is retained unchanged, and the controlling attachment can be promptly disconnected when necessary, as when the vessel's course must be changed to avoid an obstruction or another vessel.

A LOBSTER'S "PEARL."

The "lobster pearl" found in a lobster at Orient Point, L. I., in July, 1907, has been preserved by Alfred Eno, of Jamaica, N. Y. It is a quarter of an inch in diameter, nearly round but not smooth, has a light buff colour resembling the shell, and lacks the laminated structure of the ordinary pearl. Its lustre is not greater than that of beeswax, while it has a

waxy fracture—not brittle nor conchoidal. After careful examination, a New York dealer decided it to be really a kind of pearl, and as good a one as a lobster can be expected to make. Making a more scientific investigation, Prof. F. H. Horrick, of Western Reserve University, has reached a different conclusion. He finds that the substance was attached to the shell, and decides that it is in no sense a pearl, but was an ingrowth of the shell due to some injury.

WASTE IN COAL.

The Illinois tests of Prof. S. W. Parr and Mr. W. F. Wheeler seem to have shown that the chief losses in the storage of large quantities of coal are due to breaking up into dust and to fire from spontaneous combustion. The maximum loss from weathering was not more than 3 1/2 per cent. in Illinois coal stored a year. Other experiments have differed, and have reported a loss in calorific power from weathering as high as 25 per cent.

EXPLOREER'S VOYAGE.

15,000 MILES IN A FISHING-BOAT.

A hardy young explorer, M. Ballier de Bay, who accompanied Dr. Charcot on his previous Antarctic expedition, has just returned from an adventurous voyage, to which he and his brother Henri devoted the whole of their small fortunes. Two and a half years ago they purchased a Boulogne fishing-boat, 55ft. in length, renamed her the J. B. Charcot, and having fitted her out with the aid of some private friends, set sail with a crew of four other young companions for the desert island of Kerguelen, in the south of the Indian Ocean.

In the forty-ton fishing-boat they have successfully completed a voyage of 15,000 miles. After a fine outward trip as far as Rio de Janeiro they encountered a terrible cyclone between that port and the island of Tristan d'Acunha, which was reached in twenty days from Rio. There they found a population of eight-thousand souls, which they describe as half-civilised and as of English origin.

From Tristan d'Acunha to Kerguelen took another month's sailing. The little boat was buffeted by heavy storms off the Cape, but the desert island was safely reached in March, 1908. Fifteen months were spent in exploring the island, making scientific observations, and hunting seals.

In November the monotonous life was varied by the arrival of a Norwegian steamer, which, besides bringing news of the outside world, left welcome supplies of tobacco, coffee, and other comforts. The only other vessel that visited the island during their prolonged stay was a French sealer.

In June last year the party started for Australia. They had a terrible passage of forty-five days, during which one storm after another was encountered and several times all hope was abandoned. It was only by throwing out oil that the boat was kept afloat.

Melbourne was reached after two years' absence from civilisation. The sale of the seal oil collected sufficed to pay the small charges, but for a long time all efforts to sell the now sadly deteriorated fishing boat proved unavailing.

The young explorer was six months in Melbourne before he managed to dispose of the craft to a Noumea captain for a "handful of gold." This, he says, was his ransom, and with a heart rather heavy at parting with the vessel that had safely carried him over 15,000 miles of ocean he took the passenger steamer from which he has just landed at Marseilles.

He will report on his voyage and observations to the Paris Academy and the Geographical Society of France.

REMARKABLE FLIGHT.

In superb weather and cheered by tens of thousands of spectators who lined the banks of the Hudson River, Mr. Glenn Curtiss, the American aviator, flew from Albany, the capital of the State of New York, to the city of New York, a distance of approximately 150 miles, which he accomplished with one descent for gasoline in two hours forty-five minutes. This flight, says a New York telegram of May 29th, which followed a course precisely the same as that navigated 100 years ago by the first passenger steamboat invented by Robert Fulton, was undoubtedly the most spectacular ever undertaken in the United States, and elevates Mr. Curtiss, who uses a biplane of his own manufacture, to the topmost place in the ranks of American flying men. Mr. Curtiss, who has been watching for fine weather for some days, made a good start from Albany at seven o'clock, his first stop being Poughkeepsie at 8.30. He flew across Poughkeepsie Bridge at the rate of fifty miles an hour at an elevation of 600ft., and on resuming from Poughkeepsie he proceeded with splendid precision and perfect control until New York City was reached.

Mr. Curtiss, who thus wins the \$2,000 prize given by the New York World, seemed mightily well pleased, and after completing his official performances landed at New York, and followed the course of the Hudson until he reached Governor's Island, New York Bay, where he finally alighted, none the worse for his prolonged effort. He did not fly over the skyscrapers of New York City, but he occasionally attained an altitude of 1,000ft. above the noble Hudson River, and gave many thousands of New Yorkers and New Jerseyites their first chance to witness an aeroplane in full flight. He soared above ocean liners, including the Canadian Mariner, whose officers sounded a shrill blast on their sirens by way of reward and encouragement. He gradually decreased his altitude as he approached the open waters of New York Bay, and on a line exactly parallel with the offices of The Daily Telegraph in the Singer Building his altitude was 400ft., just about the height of the lantern in the dome of St. Paul's. People in the Singer Building, which has a total height of 616ft., had the best view of all.

STUDENTS' SUICIDE CLUBS.

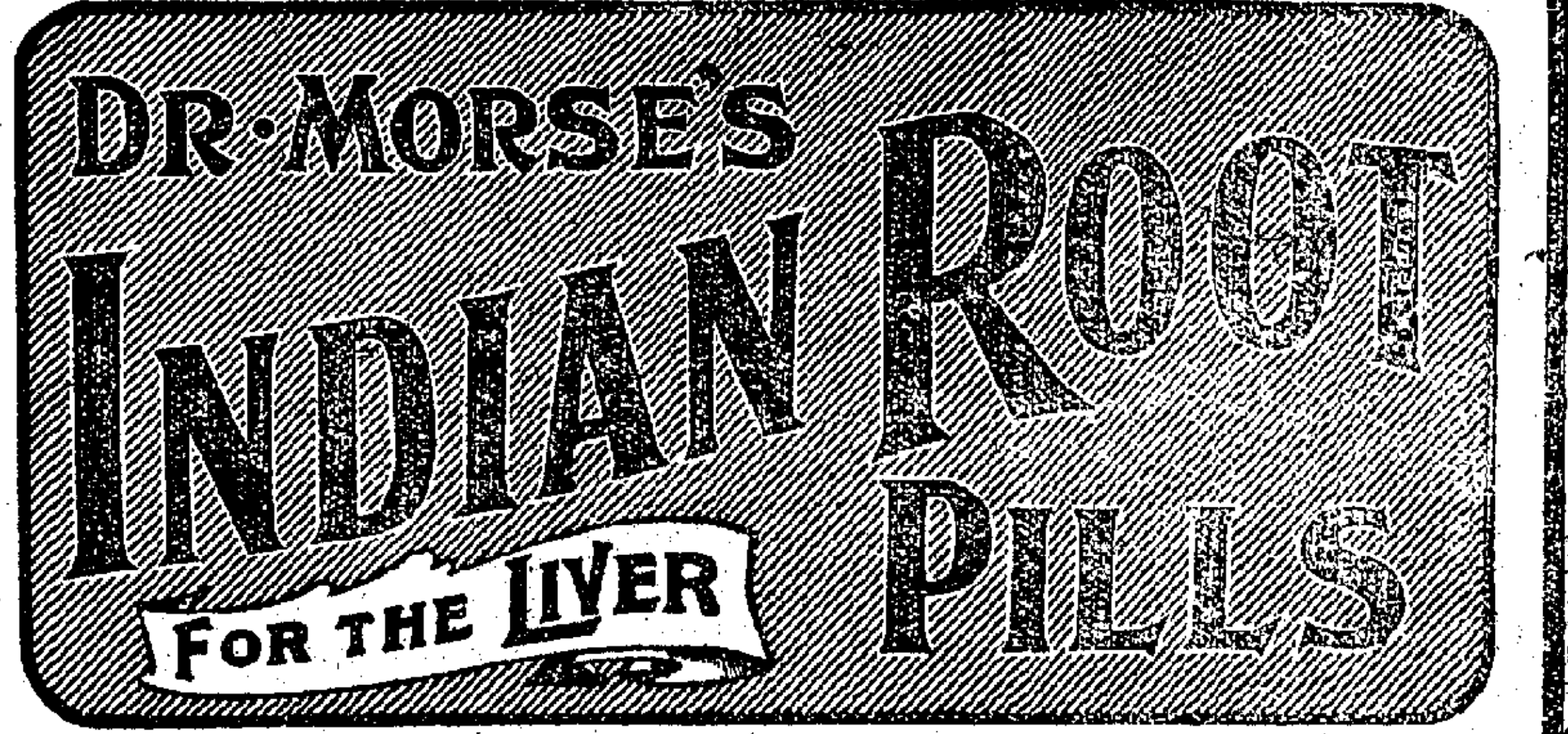
Suicides amongst young German scholars and students have been painfully prevalent. Another mysterious case is now compounding the attention of the Berlin police. An eighteen-year-old youth, Edmund L., was found the other week shot dead in the bath room of his parents' house in Teltoerstrasse. He had lain there unnoticed for a couple of hours with a bullet through his head, and although medical aid was at once summoned his was fatal. It appears that he was recently at school in Bohemia, where he joined a secret students' society. The secret society was discovered, and Edmund was at once brought home by his father. In a farewell message, written on a visiting card, he stated that he had been obliged to commit suicide according to orders; that two of his fellow-students had previously done so, and that his death would shortly be followed by the self-murder of another of his recent school companions.

In a previous case, which occurred in Berlin some time ago, two students of the same school committed suicide, and it seems to be an established and regrettable fact that suicide clubs amongst students are on the increase.

BAD LIVERS.

Not only is the Liver the largest but one of the most important organs in the human body, and when deranged it becomes the source of endless suffering. When the Liver is clogged by the inactivity of the kidneys and bowels, it becomes torpid, and fails to filter the bile from the blood, thus producing biliousness and a general impairment of the digestive system. The tongue is coated, the head aches, digestion is imperfect; there is aching of the limbs and back, feelings of fulness, weight and soreness over the stomach and liver; the eye becomes yellow and jaundiced and the complexion muddy, the urine is scanty and highly coloured, and the bowels irregular, constipation and looseness alternating. There is little use treating the liver separately, as it can never be set right until the kidneys and bowels are made active in removing the waste from the body. It is for this very reason that Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills have always proved so wonderfully successful in curing the most chronic Liver complaint, biliousness and complicated ailments of the kidneys, liver, and bowels. They reach the liver as no other remedy does.

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While to most of us the coming of morning just now is a troublesome and inconvenient but willingly performed act of homage and of obedience, to a certain section it is actually welcome as a reason for buying a second outfit so soon after a first one had been acquired for the early summer. It is these ladies who have continued in their mourning the extravagant drawn-in lines which have excited so much criticism, and which are entirely unsuited to be expressed in mourning garb. Of such was a lady who ascended the steps of a West-end club on her way to an upper room whence to view the said procession. She managed the first two steps, only just exhibiting too freely a pair of rather thick ankles. On the third step she stumbled, could not recover herself and had to be picked up ignominiously and carried into the club after the fashion of an old game called "Honeydope," that is, with a porter on one side and her male escort on the other each clutching her under an arm.

LARGE FEET AND TIGHT SKIRTS.

The mermaid skirt needs small and pretty feet to make it in the least tolerable to a spectator. One of the great advantages of small feet is the ease and grace they give in walking. Even with the ridiculously exigent skirt that is now the laughing stock of all who see it, the pretty foot may carry its owner through without too much grotesqueness. But the boots must be well-cut and well-made, and the enormous buckles sometimes seen must be conspicuous by their absence. A shoe, to be becoming, cannot be too plain. Ornament of any kind only serves to add to the apparent size of the foot.

DAINTY WRAPS IN MINOR.

Just in time for the sudden summer weather has a West-end firm produced a variety of cool and graceful coats and sweaters in black nixon. The firm in question calls them "wraps," but in no sense do they answer in the least to this description. They are long, it is true, and some of them have a kind of flowing looseness, but they are both smart and dainty. Does not a "wrap" mean something that is rather shapeless, and is intended for protection against the cold? The nixon is thin, and quite transparent, so that the figure of the wearer and her gown are seen through the gossamer fabric. Most of them are finished with a band of embroidery, into which the nixon is gathered, giving the tightened appearance that characterizes the up-to-date silhouette. Some of the nixon coats have short sleeves; others have long, but they are all quite loose. Some of the coats fasten in front. Others hang straight from the shoulders, not meeting. Many of them are handsomely embroidered.

ASCOT IN MORNING.

The period for full mourning does not expire until the final day of Ascot races, but there is something very distinguished about a large gathering in the open air, when Nature is left to provide the brightest colours. Ascot will be a pageant of black and white this year, soft and filmy as art can make it, subdued with the palest tones of mauve and lilac. The same applies to shades, and the large black picture-hall will have it all its own way. Some lovely fabrics are already being prepared, using black and white in an astonishing number of ways, and the wife of clever dress-makers are at work devising an equal number of styles for the use of the material.

A LOVELY GOWN.

Very charming is a gown of white chiffon with a satin stripe in it, rather narrow, and a still narrower line of black curling up between the stripes, exactly like a long sweetpea tendril. The over-dress falls to the knees, and is there bordered with a band of black chiffon. A curious warm and interesting grey. The under-dress, of the finest white cashmere-derose, has a plain and rather narrow skirt, with an applied band of black Chantilly lace, about two inches from the hem, the lace broadening into a great motif in front, half of which is unveiled, and half shows through the over-dress. The Maygar bodice of the chiffon is drawn over a similar arrangement of lace.

ANOTHER ASCOT DRESS.

Equally delightful in another fashion is a dress of white satin veiled with white chiffon, then with purple, and then with black. In front the two upper skirts are turned back, leaving a facing of the upper ple chiffon, and revealing a panel of white chiffon, on which are worked vertical bands of Greek key-pattern carried out in the tiniest and finest of jet beads. The effect of this trimming is particularly charming, and there is no glitter or sensationalism about it. At the foot the bands of embroidery are lost in a deep, thick hem of the jet, which continues all the way to the hem. The dress is "glimped" here and there by the American way, beneath the over-dress of purple and black. The bodice, a marvellous draping and swathing of chiffon, purple, white and black, each hinted at, and then merging in the other. The grey chip hat is trimmed with masses of shaded purple, mauve, and white violets, with a little dull foliage, and at one side a large silver rose, in a mist of silver grass, gives it elevation. The costume is finished by a transparent black lace sunshade.

SOME NOVEL SUNSHADES.

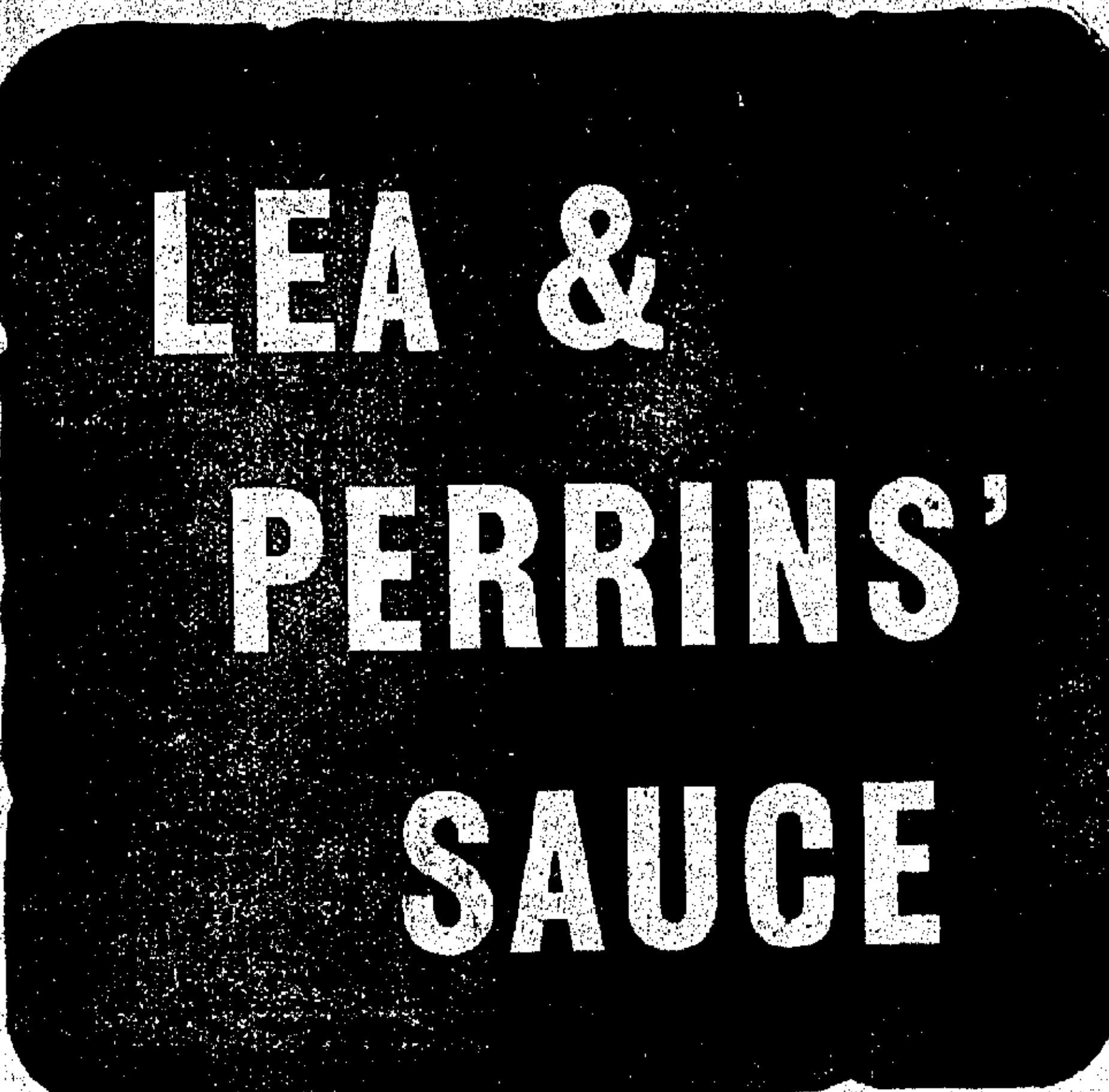
We have been prophesied a particularly hot and dry summer, and the gigantic flowers which bloom in Ascot paddock in the shape of sunshades are likely to be numerous and varied this year. Some are hand-painted, some have strange and startling geometric stripes and angles on them—a sort of demented check, which only the wearer's immunity from seeing it could induce her to carry it. Others are of coarse canvas, darned with black and white, gold, grey and purple in various designs. A few have black coaks applied on a white ground, for Chanticleer's triumphant "Coccorio!" was early heard in the realms of fashion.

AN OLD FASHION REVIVED.

The old-fashioned frill of lace edges a large number. Inconvenient as it is, especially with large hats and long hair, it is becoming, and while shading the eyes it gives them lustre. So, of course—! Fine embroidery of sprays of flowers adorns others, and again, a few have sprays of the wonderful knitted flowers done by Japanese women so beautifully. It is a mystery how these keep their shape, but they do, and a spray of white roses on a pinkish-mauve parasol looks delightful—X. and Z. in the Globe.

NEW ALPHABET FOR JAPAN.

In the Far East the influence of Rome has been little felt—that is, the influence of ancient Rome. There is a desire among the cultured classes of Japan to introduce a new alphabet, and to abandon the difficult and ancient form of national writing. Many literary men in Tokyo have formed a society with this object. The organ of the society is known as "The New Japanese School," and it is proposed to borrow twenty-four letters of the Roman alphabet, to which will be joined 47 simple signs and 25 accented. It is said that the proposed new system has been very favourably received both by the learned and commercial world.



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MONOPOLY OF AIR.

In America, trusts, monopolies, and syndicates flourish more, perhaps, than elsewhere, but even here there has lately developed a strong protest, amounting almost to bitter resentment, at the efforts of the Wright Brothers through their patents to dominate the air, that is to say, just so much air as envelopes the possessions of Uncle Sam. It is argued here by men eager for the development of aerial navigation that the action of the Wright Brothers in retaining rivals from flying in America on the ground that they alone are the "patentees of the principles of aviation," and share with the birds the sovereignty of the air, rather tends to discourage aerial navigation, and that the policy of a fair field and a hospitable welcome to the great aeroplans flying on the other side of the Atlantic, even at the time when the Wright Brothers were still modestly engaged as bicycle repairers at Dayton, Ohio, would be infinitely better for everyone concerned.

The crisis came when, as a result of the long fight waged by the Aero Club of America, eight of the most powerful affiliated clubs formally repudiated their connection with the Aero Club and formed the American Aeronautic Association, and the ground assigned was that the affiliated bodies had become "very tired of the parent body," which, they asserted, was controlled by the Wrights.

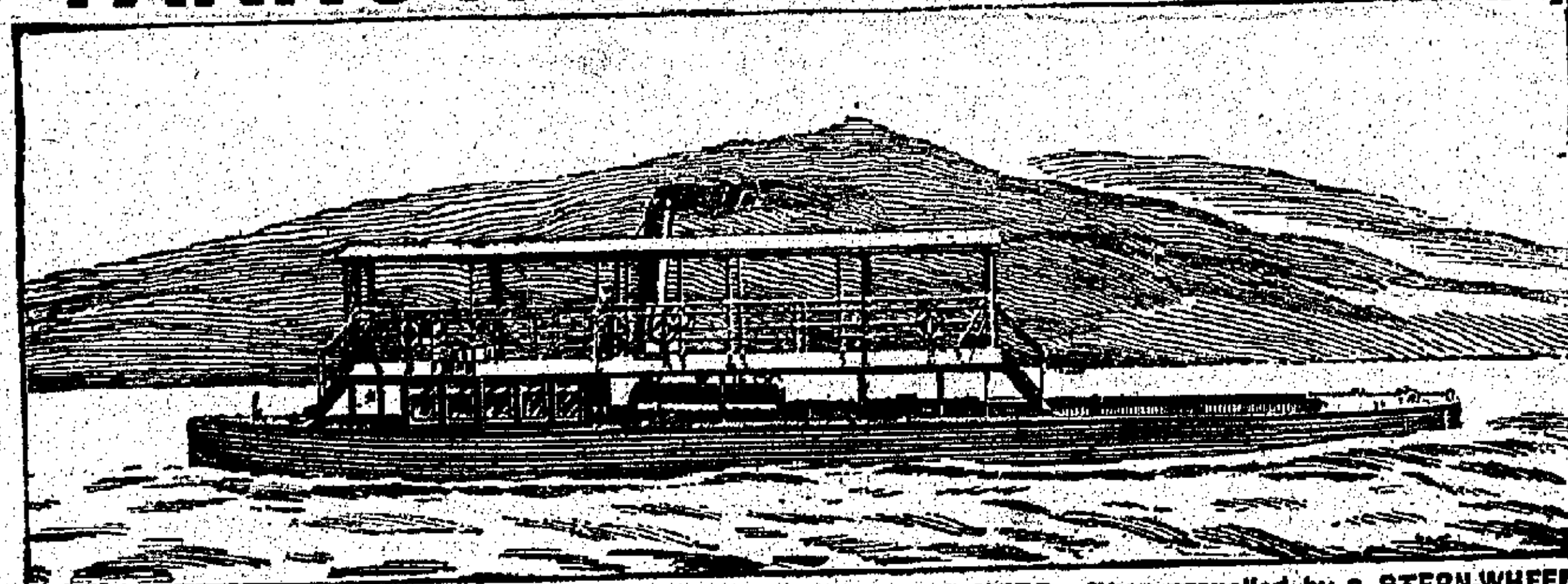
In a formal letter issued over the signature of the secretary, Mr. Longhead, the new organization showed very plainly that it proposed to fight the Wright Brothers and their million-dollar corporation, in which important Wall Street promoters are interested. The contract of the Aero Club with the Wrights is referred to as an encumbrance, and the statement is made that the interests of aeronautical development in America could be better maintained by a separate organization. The new organization is composed of the Aero Clubs of Indianapolis, St. Louis, Baltimore, Harvard, Illinois, Washington, and Buffalo, and is working in conjunction with the insurgent committee in New York.

It is believed here that the elimination of the Wrights' control will tend to remove the reproach that America lags behind in flying, and that such great aviators as Pullman and Furman, who were most ably treated on their visit to the United States, may be induced to return here under happier auspices, and show Americans what enormous development has been made lately by Europeans in the art of flying.

Orrville Wright declares in print that neither he nor his brother Wilbur desire to disturb any aviator who does not "infringe the Wright patents," but the difficulty is to find a machine which, in some respect, does not so infringe, because the Wright patents are of such an omnibus character, it is complained, that they cover almost everything which has flown, or is likely to fly. Wilbur Wright complains that flying which lacks sensationalism does not appeal to the American public, which, in reality, to be satisfied, wants a successful accident. "What Americans like," he declares, "is a foolhardy adventure, and ordinary flights do not appease this desire. My brother has been making flights in Alabama, and there have been exhibitions over West, but the public have taken a little notice, because no one has been killed, and no catastrophes reported."

Mr. Lee Burridge, a former president of the Aeronautic Society, says that the Wright Brothers are correct in saying that the American public in general is dissatisfied with any flight lacking sensationalism, and he mentioned instances of aviators being mobbed because they could not fly in a safe way. He does not expect to see very substantial progress in aviation in America until Americans, like Europeans, begin to study the science of aviation and are less absorbed by mere circus performances.

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Franz Burgen's hand went up to his brow and cautiously wiped aside the perspiration which was raining into his eyes. He made the motion with infinite care—he seemed to restrain his very breathing. After his five hours' trail across the Pfälzerhorn he would have liked to fill his capacious lungs with air—in great gulps.

But there were reasons against it—good reasons. They were standing up against the blue of the sky above the edge of a rock and wore, to be plain, the twin horns of a chamois.

Franz had stalked it by its tracks throughout the morning. Now, when he was within fifty yards of it, he could get no nearer. A slope of loose pebbles lay between him and it, and his experience told him that a single step upon them would send hundreds clattering into the valley. There was nothing to do but wait.

The chamois had suddenly had its attention aroused, and had assumed the common attitude of small deer under such conditions—it was right motions. Shortly it would come either back or on, and in any case must expose itself to his aim. So the man smiled contentedly as he moved on this fact, and smoothed the breast of his rifle.

His calculations received a sudden check. The two horns flicked up. With a mighty bound the chamois deserted its shelter and came lying across the slope with tremendous strides straight at him!

The suddenness of the onset unnerved Franz. He made a dash to aim. But the butt barely reached his shoulder when a shot rang out—not from his rifle. The chamois reared, fought the air through a second's agony and then fell—on Franz! He was stunned.

When his senses wavered back to him a minute later something very cold was on his face, and somebody was roughly shaking his shoulder. He looked up. He stared into two honest blue eyes, which, in conjunction with a pair of broad lips, were furnishing the broadest of broad grins.

Franz frowned. "Arnold!" he growled. "Arnold Lauen!"

The other gave a jolly laugh and flung away a handful of snow with which he had been damping Franz's face.

"Eh, lad!" he exclaimed, still chuckling, "but that was a surprise. I was lay cutting on the topmost terrace of the Salengrat. When I saw you here I always bring my rifle, because the chamois use that top terrace for a path between the Pfälzerhorn and the Salengrat. I was sitting, eating my bit of mitzgenose, and thinking of nothing at all when, down!—this fellow walks into view! Fortunately there was a rock between us—only my head showed over it—and I was able to reach my rifle without his seeing a motion. But as I took aim he ran. I fired—supped at him between two boulders—and down he went! But think of my feelings when I came to pick him up and found you hugging him as if he were the chosen of your heart! Ho, ho! Clapped arm in arm, you were, like any bridegroom with his bride!"

Franz struggled up to a sitting posture. "I had stalked him since dawn!" he said with a sour expression on his dark face. "Another minute and he would have been mine."

"Too bad!" said Arnold sympathetically, "but of course you must have a hand at a fore quarter from him. I'll bring it across to-night."

Franz beat the powdered snow from his shoulders and stood up. "In fairness he should be all mine," he retorted. "I drove him on to the muzzle of your rifle."

Arnold shook his head. "You can have the flesh if you like, Franz," he said slowly, "but that isn't mountain law. He who kills keeps."

"After I have laboured for hours after him you pick him up between two mouthfuls of your lunch!" cried Franz. "I say he is justly mine. Your part was no more than the pulling of a trigger."

Arnold grinned. This touched a matter long in dispute between the two, and one which had been finally settled at the Cantonal ranges a few weeks before. Franz had challenged Arnold to a shooting match, and he had been confident enough to order a dinner to celebrate his victory—beforehand. The hotel-keeper had been at no loss for the victor entertained his friends as proposed, but he happened to be Arnold, not Franz. The latter did not hear the last of it for some time. So perhaps it was not wonderful that Arnold's voice may have had the suspicion of a chuckle in it as he replied:

"There are two ways of doing that, Franz!"

"I'll shoot again," he shouted. "Your victory last month was a pure accident. Your victory this time!" he shouted. "Your victory last month was a pure accident. Your victory this time!"

"I haven't got a thousand francs," said Arnold placidly, "nor, for the matter of that, Franz, have you! Suppose, however, we agree that it was an accident. You didn't dispute my taking the stakes. Well then this—his pointed to the chamois—"is an accident, too, if you like, but I claim it just the same."

"I say that in common fairness it ought to be mine!" persisted Franz angrily. "I don't want your charity—I hate chamois flesh. The skin and horns are what I demand."

Arnold looked at him narrowly, the smile dying from his eyes. "The skin and the horns?" he repeated. "The skin and the horns?"

Franz stared back. "Well—the skin and the horns?" he said again. "Why not? Little shrug of the shoulders. "I think, Franz," he said, "that you may be under a misapprehension. It would be best cleared up. I happen to want the skin of the chamois, too—since last Saturday I have wanted it badly. I expect our respective desires date from the same evening. You were at Herr Eltel's supper party, and so was I."

Franz's lips were tightly pressed together, but he nodded. "You heard Bertha Eltel remark that the chamois met in the sitting room, were warm and shabby? Aye—of course you did, and so did I. Well—it was courteous of you, Franz, to spend hours stalking to gratify her wish, but that's a business best left to me now. You see?"

"What!" roared Franz. "You mean to tell me—"

"Just this," said Arnold quietly, "and there's no need to make a din about it. Yesterday Bertha gave me her promise and Herr Eltel his blessing. Next week we are to be formally betrothed."

For a moment Franz Burgen stood like one turned to stone. Then he made a gesture of mingled wrath and despair. "I don't believe it! I won't believe it!" he cried and wheeled in his tracks. The next instant, and without another word, he was passing with furious strides down the slope which led into the valley.

Arnold watched him go, and then shrugged his shoulders for the second time. Franz's outburst did not disturb him.

"The fellow has gipsy blood," he reflected. "He flashes out like a match when you strike against his interests, but the flame doesn't last. He'll be himself again to-morrow."

So Arnold whistled and sang as he plied his scythe and by evening sat out for his home with a cheerful countenance. He had borne the chamois upon his shoulders with an end of his hay rope and was already counting upon presenting the hide to his sweetheart when he had got it cured. He would be able to tell her all about the shooting of it that evening.

There were two roads to Uebermatt, Arnold's village. The main road passing through Anderthal, where Herr Eltel, Bertha's father, was head of the commune. But there was a short cut by the famous ladders of Linz. This path left the main road near the summit of a cliff two hundred feet high and led to the top of the three great wooden ladders by which it was scaled. Arnold debated which he should take.

"If I go through Anderthal I shall see Bertha," he said to himself in his matter of fact way, "but it will take me half an hour longer. So I shall really lose more of her company before I shall be home in getting back to her after I have been home. Her's for the ladders, then."

For a man in love Arnold had still a quite practical discrimination, you see, but his instincts were at fault. They should have warned him to go by Anderthal, where things were happening.

Bertha Eltel, I fear, was something of a flirt. She was in love with Arnold Lauen, but at the same time had no idea of rejecting the very obvious devotion of her other admirers. She was the best looking girl in Anderthal, and her father was her first citizen. She considered that there was no need to waste the opportunities of her position, and this explains why, when she met Franz a mile from the village and fresh from his encounter with a chamois, she offered to him a bright and welcoming smile. Franz was still in the grip of excitement. He did not beat about the bush.

"Good day, Fraulein Eltel!" he said. "Can I have a word with you?"

Bertha cast a mischievous smile at the empty hillside. "Why not, Herr Burgen?" she answered. "There is nobody here to prevent you."

Franz's forehead flushed. "Nobody could do that!" he cried. "Nobody in the Twenty-Two Cantons can stand between me and my purpose!"

Bertha raised her eyebrows. "You seem very confident but not very polite this morning," she remarked. "What has been rousing your wrath, Herr?"

"That fellow, Arnold Lauen!" he roared. "Do you know what he had the impudence to tell me?"

Bertha had a very good idea and smiled. "How can I tell?" she implored. "I thought he reserved all his impudence for me."

Franz stared at her expressionless. "Am I to understand that it is true—actually true?" he asked in a half fierce, half bewildered voice. "You—you can't mean that?"

Bertha made an impatient gesture. "How can I say when you don't give me a notion of what you're talking about?" she retorted. "What has Arnold said?"

Franz turned and shook his fists towards the heights where no doubt the unconscious Arnold was still singing as he strolled. "He shouted 'That you and he are betrothed!'"

He shouted! That you and he are betrothed! The fat was fairly in the fire. Bertha gave a nervous little laugh. "He had no business to say so—," she began, but Franz interrupted with a yell of delight. He flung his hat in the air.

"I knew he lied!—I knew it!" he rejoiced. "I knew you couldn't have deceived me so!"

Bertha's brow grew wrinkled in her displeasure. "I haven't an idea what you mean, Herr Burgen," she said frigidly, "when you speak of being deceived. But, as I was saying when you interrupted me, Herr Lauen has no business to speak of our betrothal as it is not to be announced till next week. You will get your official intimation, along with our other neighbours, in four or five days. I merely tell you now to prevent misunderstanding."

Through a long, instant Franz stood silent. Then he advanced to within a couple of paces of the girl and his rage seemed to increase his stature. His dark eyes shot lightning.

"Bertha Eltel!" he cried, "you wanton! For months—for over a year—you have encouraged me—led me to think that I was supreme in your regard. And now? I am to be fang aside—am I? I have amused you—treated you as an end of me? Is that how you dare to treat me?"

Bertha shrank back. "You—you have no right to say such things!" she contradicted. "I have treated you precisely like—the rest," she added weakly.

He laughed savagely. "As the rest?" he repeated. "You thought you could fool me as you fool these slow-witted folk of Anderthal? He answered her with his lifted hand. 'As surely as the sun shines, Bertha Eltel, you'll marry me yet!'"

She made an indignant gesture. He laughed again. "Ay!" he went on confidently, "betrothal or no betrothal, it's me whom you're going to marry. You may struggle—you may whine—but Arnold Lauen won't keep you—and live. Tell him so!" He kicked a pebble far out upon the hillside, wheeled and was gone. Bertha was left staring after him, acutely aware that she had deprived her of that very feminine privilege, "the last word."

She sat down and meditated. Perhaps she felt a tiny tinge of remorse, because as I said before, she had flirted with Franz prodigiously. But then, as she quickly reminded herself, she had been no more complaisant to him and to his attentions than she had been to half a dozen others. Men were so stupid! Why must they expect an all if they happen to give them an inch or two? It was ridiculous—it was unjustifiable—it must be put a stop to. She should speak to her father!

But the more she thought of Franz and of his expression as he flung his threats at her, the more uneasy she felt. There were stories about the man—unpleasant ones, some of them. Peter Müller's male had trodden upon Franz's foot as he passed him on the narrow path above the Sögnal, and Franz had flung the best of the precipice! And it took six men, it was said, to prevent him sending Peter after his male!

And when Jacob Lech chafed Franz at the ranges about his shooting, and said there was never a Burgen yet who could see straight, Franz twisted Jacob's neck till a surgeon said that it was little short of a miracle that Jacob didn't have to spend the rest of his life lying over his own left shoulder!

Yes—Franz was a dangerous man. She would have to warn Arnold.

And then a sudden spasm of fear pierced her heart. When Franz left her where had he been going?

She jumped to her feet. He had gone—up the hill again towards the terrace of the Salengrat. He had gone—there wasn't a doubt of it—to meet Arnold who would be coming down through the dusk to his home in Uebermatt!

She turned to the terrace of the Salengrat, and then, without another word, he was passing with furious strides down the slope which led into the valley.

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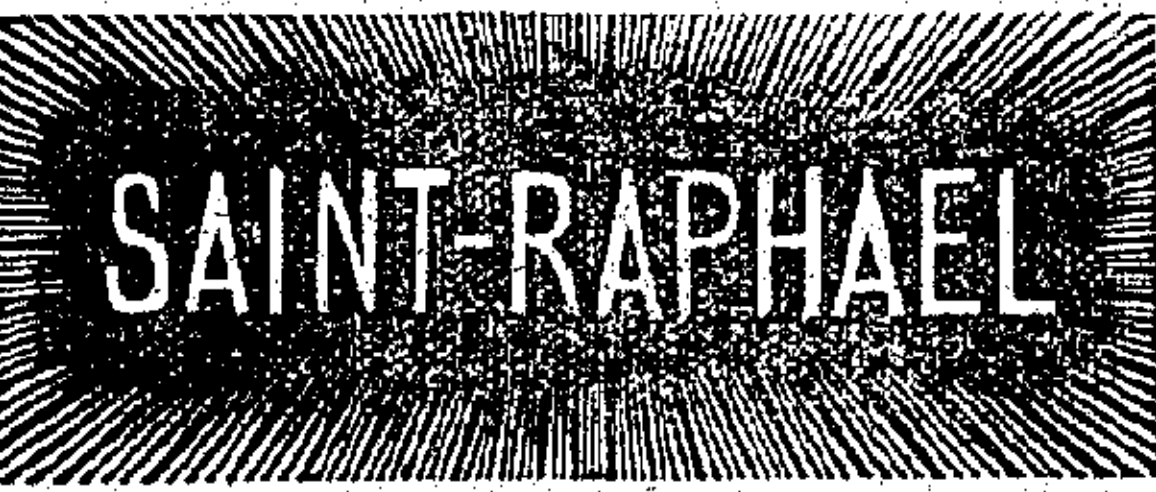
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She looked at the sun. It was within a few minutes of its setting. Already half-way down the cliff, she began to feel the cold. She made up her mind upon the instant. She began to run steadily up the path, not to the point where the roads diverged, but to the one to the left, and the other track which led upon the ladders and the cliff.

If she could have seen how Franz Burgen was employed at that moment, her fears would have been redoubled. He had gained the cliff of Linz and was standing, looking down at the ladders, with a very peculiar expression upon his face.

Finally he gave a short laugh. Then he retraced his steps to the pine trunk close by, tore down a stout fir bough, returned to the ladders, and began to descend. He halted upon the last step of the second one. He braced his left arm about the side of it and used his right hand to insert his cudgel beneath one of the two great hooks which were driven into the rock and upon which the ladder hung. He began to lever it forward with all his strength. Little by little the hook began to give. When he had sufficiently prized it out he began to operate upon the second one, and he did this with infinite care, working at it in short jerks which unseated it inch by inch. He found the operation tiring enough.

—He had to change hands frequently. But after ten minutes' toil he drew back satisfied.

The hook just held the ladder in position. A good addition of a little more weight and it would fall. He grinned savagely and began to mount again.

But a minute or two later, as he sat upon the cliff head meditating, he looked less satisfied.

"He'll have a fifty or sixty foot fall," he soliloquized, "and it ought to finish him. He there are some very soft bits of heritage down there. I wonder now—I wonder."

Through another quarter of an hour he sat with his chin on his hands, and then rose as if goaded by a sudden impulse. He scrambled down the first ladder with his club and unseated the second pair of hooks—those which held the second ladder in its place. This time, as he climbed back to the summit, he looked entirely at his ease.

"Sixty feet he might possibly survive," he muttered, "but not all the Saints of Paradise will keep his neck unbroken after a hundred and twenty!"

He lit his pipe, stared at the Western sun, and then strolled quietly on to a little clump of stunted pines which clung to the mountain side a couple of hundred yards away. There he sat down in ambush.

He had not very long to wait. Just as the last beams of the sunset shot up from behind the Sögnal Arnold appeared, descending the path with his usual vigorous strides. He was whistling shrilly, and carried the chamois over his shoulder. Franz ground his teeth as he looked at it.

"Wait a bit, my lad—wait a bit!" he snarled beneath his breath. "Who knows is a good rule, but with exceptions. I think I'll carry that chamois home!"

Before he began the descent Arnold halted and tightened the loop which bound the chamois between his shoulders. The slack of the coil he carried wound above his elbow as he ascended both hands to steady himself. Then he dropped carelessly over the brink.

Franz was staring with wide and excited eyes. He scarcely breathed as Arnold stepped from rung to rung, still whistling.

Lower and lower he sank—he was within ten steps of the second ladder by now—five—one—he was on it! Franz gasped!

As Arnold's foot brought his weight upon the second ladder's topmost step the hooks quivered, cracked, and finally slipped from their sockets. The ladder slipped off the rock and fell with a resounding crash into the valley below!

But in the first instant Franz was rolling out great oaths, for Arnold had not fallen with it!

It was little short of a miracle which saved him. The iron bolt which held the foot of the first ladder in tension struck out an inch or two beyond its side. A loop of Arnold's rope had caught upon it!

Through the fraction of a second which was necessary for him to get a grip with his hands it held him!

He remained crouched at the foot of the first ladder, looking down the drop, and anathematizing his misfortunes with much discontent. His muttered soliloquy became louder.

"Go back round by Anderthal and lose a whole hour!" Franz heard him complain. "That would be ridiculous! We'll just see how far this rope of mine reaches first!"

He unrolled the rope, looked down the valley, selected a safe turf, and deliberately tossed the chamois down to fall into it. Then he tied one end of the coil to the snag upon which he sat and let the other dangle. It more than reached the third ladder head below.

"Good!" granted Arnold with great satisfaction. "Here goes!" He slid down quickly hand over hand.

He poised his feet upon the ladder top. Instantly the hooks became unseated as the others had done before, and the ladder, describing a majestic parabola, fell at the foot of the cliff. Arnold was left twisting on the rope's end like a spider on its thread!

A horrible pulse of fear darted through his heart—but not panic. He did not lose his head. His eyes noted the hole from which one of the hooks had worked, and he thrust the point of his foot into it. This stopped the twisting of the rope and relieved some of the strain upon his arms. He began to get his breath. He looked up the crag.

A face was peering over the cliff head—a face wearing a most malicious grin.

"Franz," said Arnold, still staring.

"The other nodded silently as he got on to the ladder. Step by step he ascended till he reached the point from which the rope was hung. He settled himself comfortably and then looked down at his rival with sparkling eyes.

"Well, my good Arnold!" he chuckled malignantly. "Well?"

Arnold was still staring, but not speaking. Suddenly he sprang outwards from his perch upon the rock and began to haul himself up with the swift strength of despair.

Franz snatched a knife from his pocket and undraped it.

"Get down, or I cut the rope here and now!" Arnold looked at the threatening blade and looked at Franz's face. What he read there was only too significant. He slid back to his former position and waited, still staring up with a sort of bewilderment. Franz nodded down to him again.

"Nine men out of ten in my position would give you no mercy, Arnold," he said, "but my tender heart has been my enemy more than once. I'll trust your word if you give it solemnly and emphatically that you'll leave the country to-night and never show your face again. Do you understand?"

"No," said Arnold, still straining at the rope. "Give up, Bertha? Why?"

"Because I happen to want her," said Franz, "and I'm impatient. I don't offer you time to decide. It's yes or no—now!"

Arnold still looked dazed.

"But—but—" he stammered. Franz interrupted him with an oath.

"It's yes, you dog!" he shouted. "Yes—or this!"

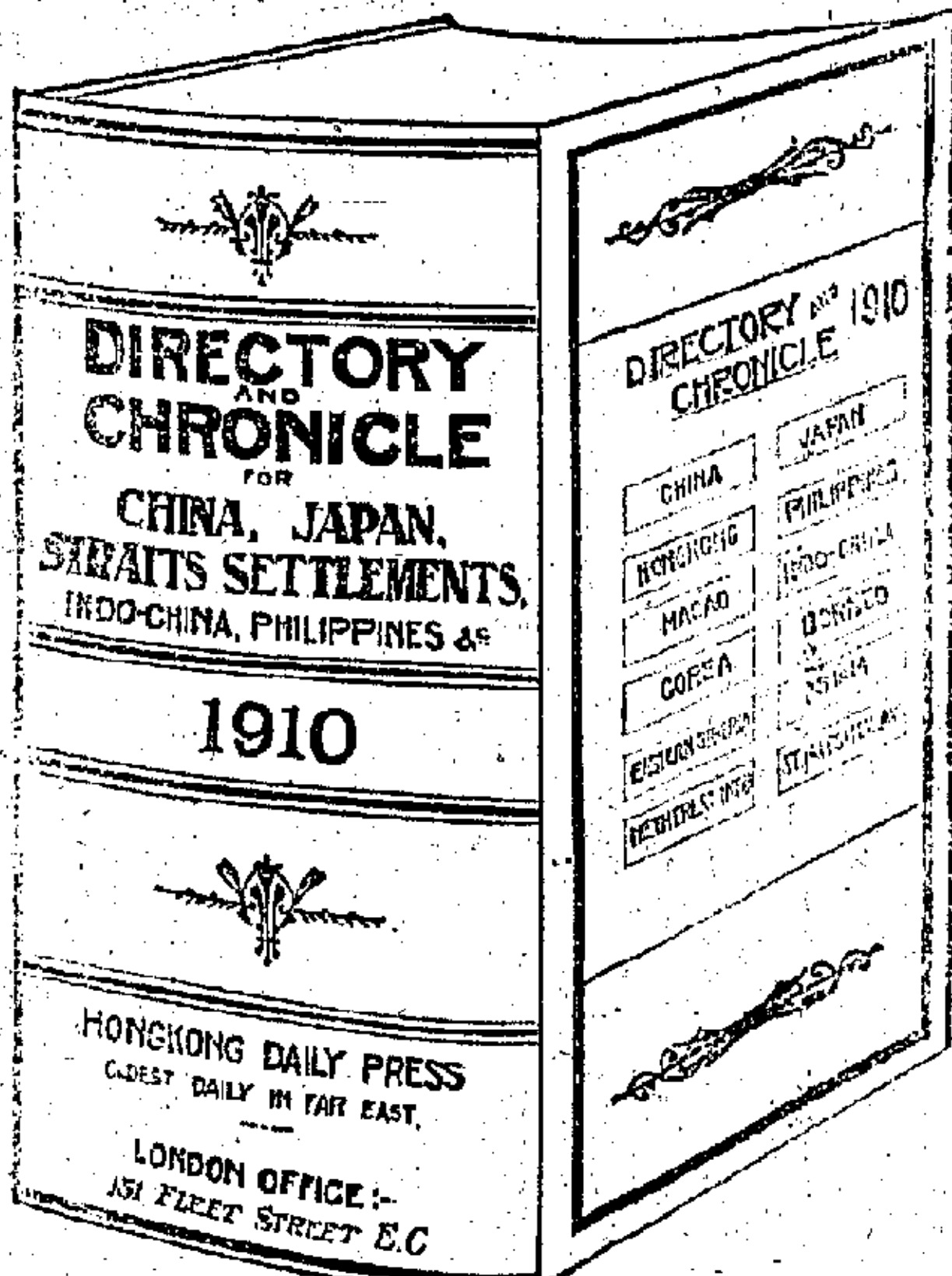
He laid the blade upon the straining knot. And then he nearly dropped the knife. For an extraordinary expression had flashed upon Arnold's features. He was staring—not at Franz, but past his shoulder up the cliff.

In his turn Franz wheeled round upon the ladder and raised his eyes. As he did so a voice rang down to the two men—a voice clear and commanding.

"Swing out, Arnold!" cried Bertha Eltel. "Swing out to outside!"

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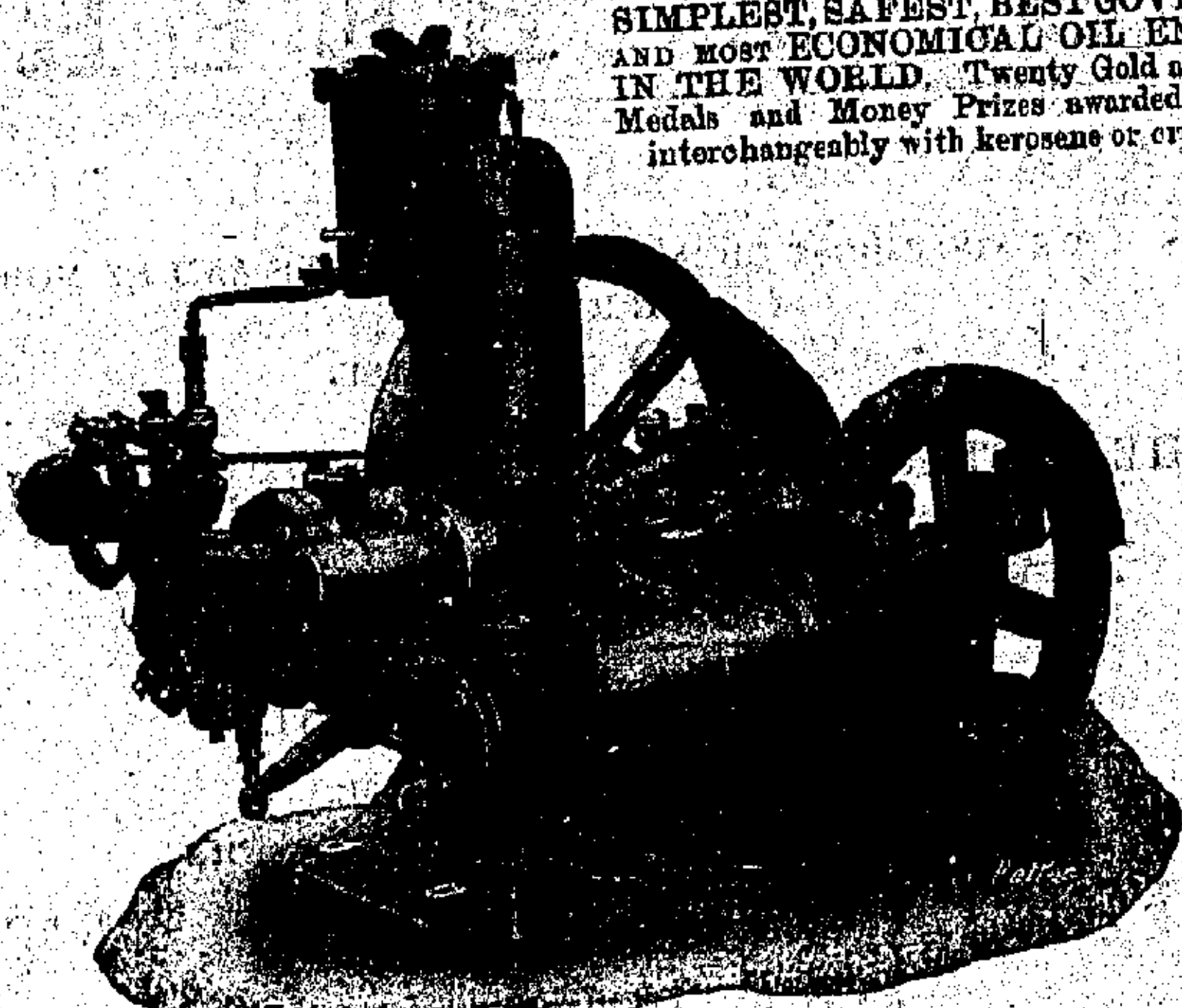
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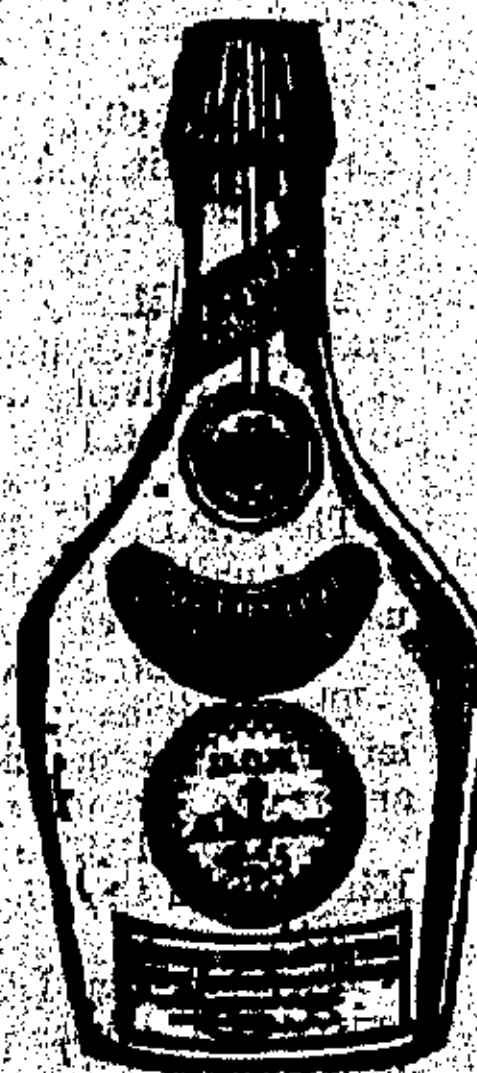
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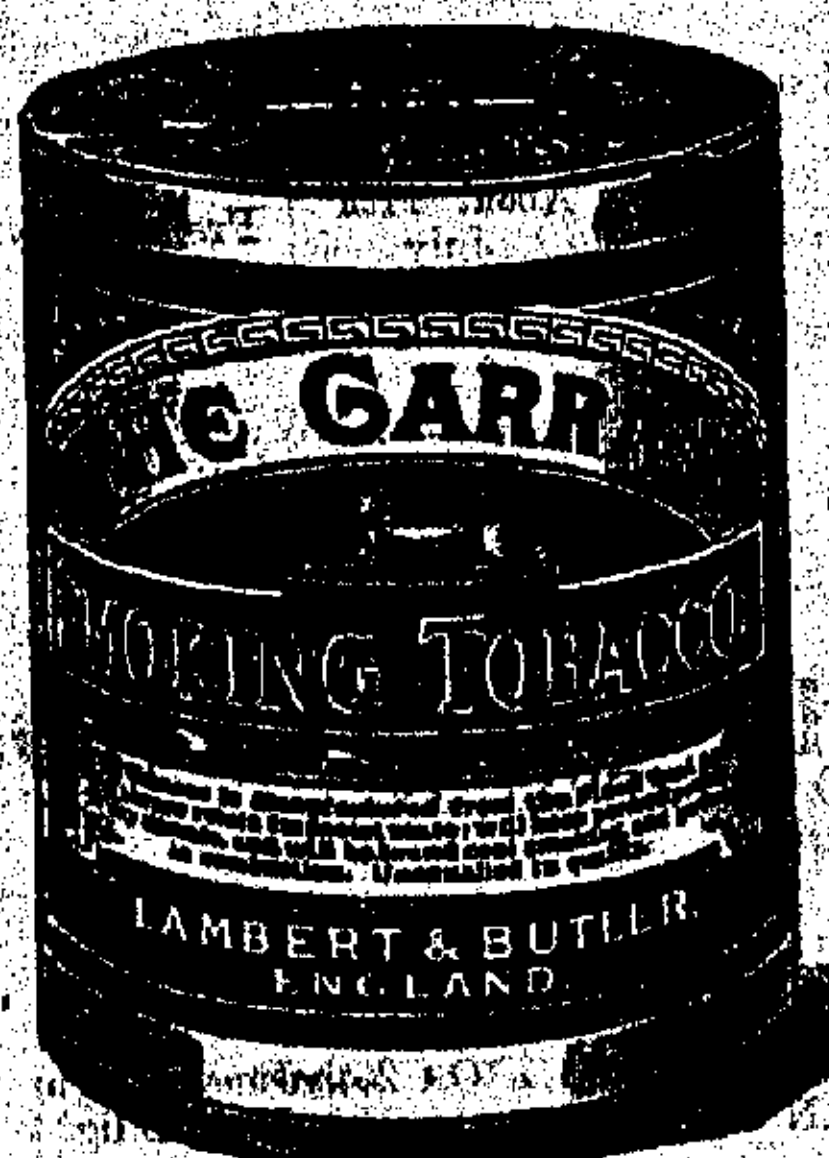
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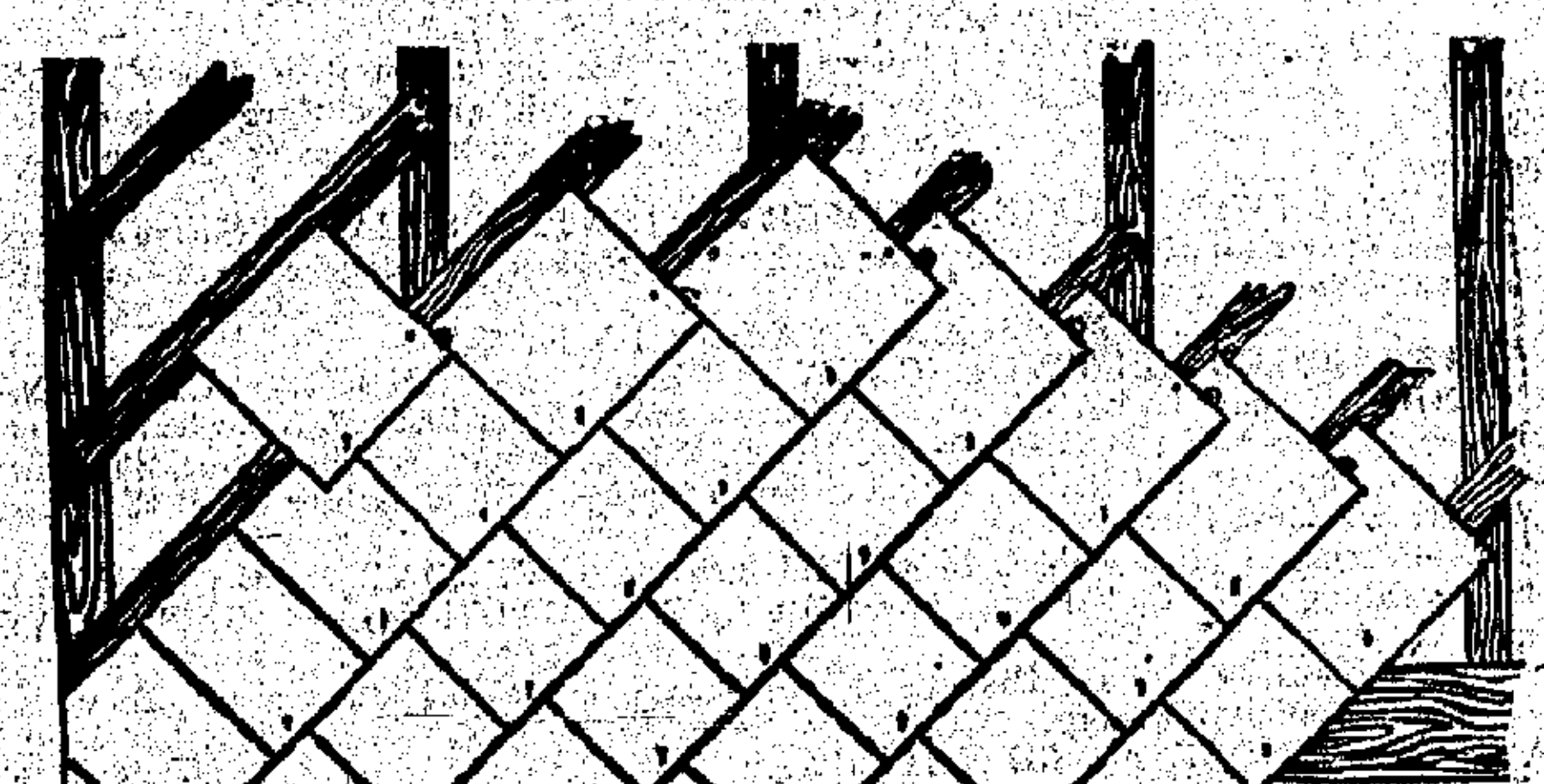
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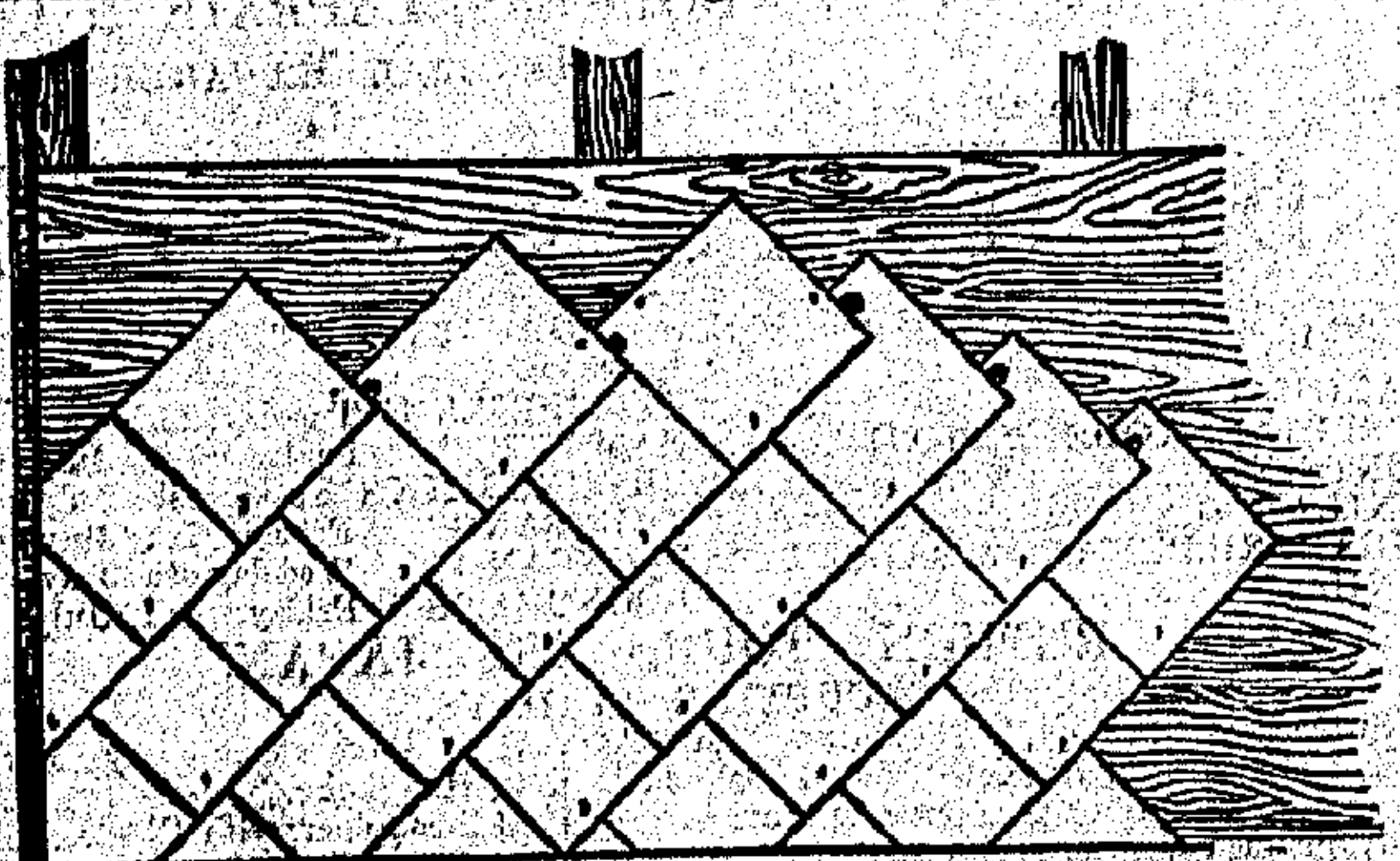
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